

U.B. Thrifty says—

TELLER



"The man who waits for business to pick up seldom picks up any business."

At this Holiday Season of the year, we desire to again thank you for your friendship and patronage.

Let each new year bring us into closer co-operation for the good of all.

It is in this spirit that we wish you a very

Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year



Citizens State
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Liberal, Kansas

STILL HAULING GRAIN TO NEW TOWN OF WOODS

The Equity Elevator Co. of this place is still trucking grain to Woods, thirteen miles east of here, where they have averaged loading a car of grain every day since the road was built to Woods. There seems to be no trouble in getting cars there while here the condition is much different. A few cars have been loaded with grain at Hugoton but they have been mostly refrigerator cars and must be shipped west. The western market is about 10 cents lower than Kansas City or other eastern markets, consequently the elevator company here would rather give this difference to local people and are having it trucked to Wood. This, however, is taking the money from the farmers who raise the grain for they of course, must stand this expense of trucking. It is indeed an unexplainable condition that cars can be had on the Kansas & Oklahoma road, and at Liberal when they cannot be secured on the Santa Fe. We are glad, however, and so are many others, that cars can be secured somewhere.

The Equity Elevator Co. still has around 20,000 bushels of grain on the ground in their yards here in Hugoton besides having their elevator full.—Hugoton Hermes.

PROTECTING THE GAME.

The XI ranch is co-operating with Federal and State authorities in the protection of wild game. Henceforth no one will be given permission to hunt on the XI ranch.

We understand a deputy game warden has been appointed, who will make his headquarters on the XI ranch with authority to enforce the law for the protection of the ducks and such other game as is generally becoming extinct for lack of protection.

This is a good move; let us all co-operate with the ranch and maybe there will be enough game for everybody before long. 26-ltc

PIANO TUNING

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Mrs. E. E. Baker of Chicago, arrived this week for a visit with her sister-in-law, Florence McElwee.

Pleasant Valley

(Too late for last week)

Cold and getting colder, but we enjoy it.

Cecil Harrel, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Harrel, was taken suddenly ill while at school last Wednesday with appendicitis. It became necessary for an operation which was performed by Dr. Levi at the Joseph's Mercy hospital. He is getting along as well as could be expected. We hope he will continue to improve.

Mrs. Marie Lloyd and Mr. Luther Mays were united in marriage last Saturday. They are away on a short trip. We offer our congratulations.

Mr. Fred Black returned Saturday from Kansas City.

Several in the community have thrashed this week and hauled their grain to Pleasant Valley. Among these are Messrs. Hopewell, Davis and Ratzlaff.

Mr. Henry Franz returned with his brother to his home in Burton, Kansas, Tuesday morning.

Harry Guttridge bought a fine Jersey cow at the Spradling sale Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nix entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hudkins for Sunday dinner. It was the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Hudkins.

This last week might well have been called birthday week at Pleasant Valley. Among those who have become a year older are Mrs. Hopewell, Mrs. Ed Scott, Mrs. Hudkins, Elsie Nix, Virgil Harrel and Wilson Scott.

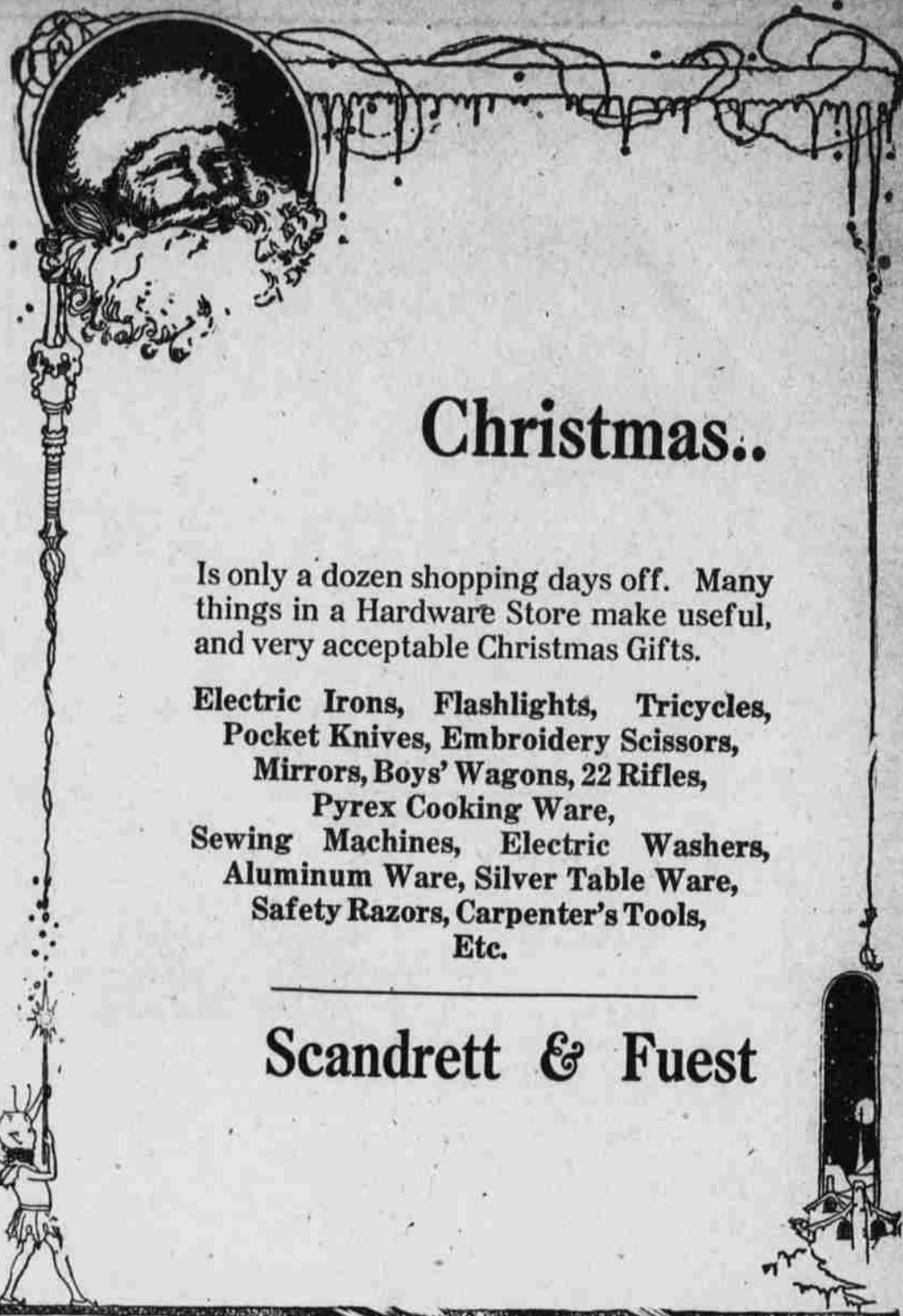
Pleasant Valley has shipped several carloads of grain this week.

DISASTROUS FIRE SWEEPS NORTH SIDE TYRONE

Tyrone Observer—

One of the most destructive fires in the history of the city broke out Thursday night about 10:30 in the rear of the cafe operated by Mr. Sherman. Just how the fire started is not known as the proprietor of the cafe had closed about 9 o'clock and had gone home. It is presumed that it was caused by the stove or a defective flue. The Photo Play house was one of the buildings burned, however the main equipment was removed before the fire spread to it. The building occupied by U. L. Mathes was burned with most all the contents. The Cafe was a total loss, both the building and the fixtures. Next to the west the Collins barber shop was destroyed, but through the speedy work of a number of men the entire fixtures were saved. Mr. Collins owns these two buildings. The City Meat Market operated by the Oldham brothers burned, but a part of the contents were saved. The furniture store was almost a total loss, the building burned and a few of the contents were saved.

The Farmers National bank on the east of the Photoplay house was a brick structure and the Rexall Drug store on the west of the furniture store also being brick, served to keep the fire confined to the wood structures. However both of these buildings were in danger several times and but for the heroic work of the men, would have been destroyed. Several times the roofs caught and a brigade



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Liberal, Kansas.

of men kept constant guard and put out the blaze as it caught.

Especially worthy of mention was the work of the members of the Woodman Lodge. The Camp Fire girls carried all the chairs out of the Photo Play building and did other numerous services that have won the highest commendations.

There was scarcely any wind during the fire and this is all that kept the fire from spreading to the south side of the street. Had the wind been high there would have been no way to have kept the entire town from burning as it was there was considerable work required to keep it from spreading.

The owners of the equipment in the various stores are profuse in their praise of the excellent work done in saving the contents of the stores. The fire department of Liberal made a record dash to get here and assist in quelling the fire, but all the buildings being frame structures and very old and dry it required but a few minutes for the flames to get in their deadly work, so the department arrived too late to do anything except help smother the flames on a few of the outstanding buildings. The people, however, ap-

preciate the response the Liberal boys made to their appeal.

While there was some insurance carried on the property it will not near cover the loss to say nothing of the suspension of the business enterprises. In addition to the buildings and contents that were lost the large water tank and new windmill at the rear of the barber shop burned. The plate glass windows in the First National bank building across the street from the burning buildings are cracked, sustaining over \$300 loss. Also the front glass of the Farmers' National bank building was broken by the intense heat.

In all it was a busy crowd that fought the fire and they never let up until the fire was under control. The total loss was in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Furniture in a number of the buildings, not burned, was badly scorched and there were numerous other small damages that are too numerous to mention.

Notwithstanding the loss from this fire the town is fortunate that it was confined to so small an area. While the brick buildings on either side of the fire area did not burn the extreme heat did some damage to the walls, which in all probability will re-

quire being reinforced.

Some of the losses as near as could be determined were: J. L. Collins, \$3,000; Farmers National Bank, \$1,500; First National Bank, \$300; Speakman Brothers \$2,000; Photo-Play theater \$250. All of these losses were partly covered by insurance except the Photo-Play building owned by Speakman Brothers, on which there was no insurance.

If making and having money is a reliable index of a man's success, think of the sword-swallower in the circus side show. He has money. Think of Fatty Arbuckle and Charlie Chaplin. Many a man in almost any community, who has acquired some wealth, has done nothing else and is nobody else, while some much poorer man holds a place that no amount of money could buy. No money is not the final criterion. Both God and man ultimately judge every one less by his INCOME than by his OUT-PUT.—Kingman Journal.

Barbara Stout of Arkalon was shopping and visiting relatives here Saturday.

L. E. Gardner made a business trip to Hugoton Saturday.